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INTERVIEW SUMMARY STATEMENT

Sir:

Applicant would like to thank Examiner Dornbusch for the courtesies extended to Applicant's counsel, James W. Hill, MD, and M. Todd Hales, during a telephonic examiner's interview on April 14, 2009. Although no agreement was reached in the interview, pending claims were discussed in view of cited references U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0035394 ("Fierens"), U.S. Patent Nos. 6,451,050 ("Rudakov"), 5,769,884 ("Solovay"), and 5,948,018 ("Dereume"). Also discussed was the 35 U.S.C. § 112 rejection.

Should the Examiner find the foregoing statement to be incomplete or inaccurate, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Applicant's undersigned representative in our Irvine, California office at 949.851.0633. All correspondence should continue to be directed to the address associated with the customer number indicated below.

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